Bertha Brendemuehl

Funeral services for Bertha Brendemuehl, 94, were held Thursday afternoon, May 7, 1953, at 2:00 o'clock, at St. John's Lutheran church. The Rev. R. M. Grundmeier officiated. Mrs. Brendemuehl passed away at the Webster hospital, Monday, May 4, after a two weeks' confinement there due to a fractured thigh bone, following a fall at her home. Burial was in the Butler cemetery. Pall bearers were: Vance E. Miller, Jack Johnson, Clayton Deitz, Emil P. Erdmann, Ewald Kuehnert and A. J. Schuelke.

Bertha Krueger was born in Dodge County, Wisconsin, on October 23, 1858. She was baptized and confirmed in the Lutheran faith.

On February 19, 1879, she was united in marriage to Adolph Brendemuehl. The couple established their home on a farm in Dodge County. In 1893 they came to South Dakota and resided in the Butler, Verdon and Groton areas.

Mrs. Brendemuehl was a person of very quiet nature, taking a deep interest in her family and an active part in her church work, until her advanced age prevented her from taking part. She was a kind and loving mother and won a place in the hearts of all who knew her.

She is survived by seven children, four sons, Art. of Firesteel, George of Groton, Paul of Martinsburg, Nebr., and Leonard of Chester, Nebr.; three daughters, Mrs. Julia Smith and Mrs. Joe (Ella) Osman of Groton and Mrs. Molly Norby of Webster; also one sister, Mrs. Herman Nass, Watertown, Wis.; two brothers, Louis Krueger of Oconomowoc, Wis., and Geo. Krueger of Groton; ten grandchildren and eight great grandchildren. Her husband and a daughter, Selma preceded her in death.

Relatives from a distance attending the last rites were: Mr. and Mrs. Paul Brendemuehl, Jane and Betty and Mr. and Mrs. Geo. Lunz and Karen, all of Martinsburg, Nebr.; Mr. and Mrs. Leonard Brendemuehl and Leora of Chester, Nebr.; Mr. and Mrs. Art. Meyers of Deshler, Nebr., and Mr. and Mrs. Kenneth Schmidt of Osceola, Nebr.